A.—**Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA** (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) Forty.

(*b*)

Vokkaligars	...	6
Lingayets	...	7
Kurubars	...	3
Brahmins	...	4
Gangakulas	...	1
Banajiga	...	1
Agasa	...	1
Kshatriyas	...	2
Other Caste Hindus	...	7
Depressed Class	...	2
Indian Christian	...	1
Muslims	...	4
Other Communities	...	1
Total	...	40

Disposal of Application for Land in Survey No. 104 of Arakere Forest Area.

Q.—313. **Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA** (Honnali).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the landless people of Narasagondanahalli Village, Honnali Taluk, have applied for the land in Survey No. 104 of Arakere Forest area in Honnali Taluk;

(*b*) if so, from how long are they applying for the above land and what action has been taken on those petitions;

(*c*) whether the Forest Department is unwilling to give this land on the ground that there are sandalwood trees; if so, how many sandalwood trees there are in that survey number;

(*d*) whether at any time the sandalwood trees have been removed in that land;

(*e*) whether they are spending any money to rear sandalwood trees in the above land?

A.—**Sri T. CHANNIAH** (Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) For the past 5½ years. Government have issued them an endorsement that their request cannot be granted.

(*c*) Yes, and also for the reason that the afforestation work has been taken up in the area. There are 600 sandalwood trees of good size and innumerable "sandalwood" saplings.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No, since natural regeneration of sandal is adequate.

A General Hospital at Malleswaram.

Q.—322. **Sri R. ANANTARAMAN** (Chamarajapet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) how many beds can be accommodated in the Victoria Hospital, Bangalore;

(*b*) how many are actually provided now;

(*c*) whether it is not better to open a general hospital at Malleswaram in order to relieve this congestion?

A.—**Sri T. CHANNIAH** (Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) 405.

(*b*) On an average 668 patients are being treated now as in-patients.

(*c*) Not necessary for the present.

Famine Relief Works in Tumkur District and Amounts spent.

Q.—345. **Sri Mali MARIYAPPA** (Pavagada).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the amount allotted to Tumkur District for famine relief works for 1951-52 and 1952-53;

(*b*) the amount spent up to 31st May 1952 (talukwar)?

A.—**Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA** (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) A sum of Rs. 1,30,000 was allotted to the District for relief works during the year 1951-52.